# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# CIVIL AVIATION
# LOK SABHA

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INVOLVEMENT OF AIRLINES OFFICIALS IN ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government have recieved any complaints about involvement of Airlines officials in the racket of illegal immigration;

(b) if so, the details of such involvement during the last three years; and

(c) the steps taken to wean away the officials from such criminal activities?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a) and (b):- 12 Indian Airlines Officials and 3 Air India Officials were found involvedin facilitation of illegal immigration during the last three years. The details in this regard are given at Annexure.

The cases of all the 12 Indian Airlines officials have/are either being investigated by Police or the Central Bureau of Investigation(CBI). The Vigilance Department ofAir India has completed the vigilance enquiries against all its 3 delinquent employees. Among the three, one employee is proposed to be removed from service. In the cases of the other two employees departmeental action has been initiated.

(c):- Indian Airlines is keeping close surveillance by its Vigilance Departments on employees suspected of being involved in the racket of illegal immigration. Air India, too, have taken deterrent steps to wean away the officials from such criminal activity.

ANNEXURE

INDIAN AIRLINES LTD

1.Shri Anil Kumar Jayant, Deputy Manager,On 25.10.1998 at Terminal II of IGI Airport, New Delhi ShriJayant attempted to travel to Montreal on Air Canada FlightAC-987 alongwith a lady and boy posing as his wife Anjali Jayant and Son Dhruv on passports issued in the name of his wife and son.

2.Shri D.V. Sheth,Traffic Supdt., Ahmedabad Shri Sheth was involved in facilitation of illegal immigration to USA on 6.8.1998

3.Shri M.U. Chhatwani,Traffic Asstt, AhmedabadShri Chhatwani was involved in facilitation of illegal immigrationto USA ex-Ahmedabad on 13.5.1999.

4.Shri B.P. PatnakarTraffic Asstt,Ahmedabad Shri Patnakar was involved in facilitation of illegal immigrationof passengers to USA ex- Ahmedabad on 10.6.1997

5.Shri S.K. Tiwari,Traffic Asstt,Ahmedabad Shri Tiwari was involved in facilitation of illegal immigration of passengers to USA ex-Ahmedabad on 27.2.1997.

6.Shri R.V. Khade,Sr. Driver,Mumbai; Shri S.R. Hussain,Sr. Helper(Engg.),Mumbai; Smt Nazma K. Khan, Head. Helper(Engg.), Mumbai; Shri S.C. Barve, Sr.Safaiwala,Mumbai; Shri K.S. Padavi,Chair Re-caner,Mumbai. On 13.2.2000, These personnel were involved in selling passports with Japanese visas for facilitating illegal immigration.

7.Shri B.S.Pardeshi,Operator(Ground Support), MumbaiOn 25.5.2001 at Ahmedabad airport Shri Pardeshiwas involved in facilitating illegal immigration to Toronto, Canada. Deported from Kuwait.

8.Shri Rajinder Singh Lather,Transport Supdt.,On 14.6.2001 at IGI Airport, Terminal II, New Delhi, Shri Latherattempted to travel to Canada on Air France flight alongwith SmtParamjit Kaur and her two children posing as his wife Yogita Lather, son Mayank Lather and daughter Parul Lather with passports issued in the name of his wife and children.

AIR INDIA

9.Shri C.R. Bakshi,Comm. Mgr,and Shri Barat Chaturvedi,Pax sales Mgr,.Both these officers were involved in aiding and abetting M/s.Hans Air in transporting inadmissible passengers to Paris.

10.Shri Shoeb Shamsher Khan,Customer Service Supervisor,Mumbai Airport Cargo.Shri Khan was involved in aiding and accompanying two inadmissible lady passengers, attempted to travel to USA with Koreanair documents with forged passports and impersonating as Mrs Prabha V. Shinde and Ms. Shilpa Bhatia.